IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Marchek Confirmation No.: 7090

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Title : Telescoping Blade Assembly and Instruments for Adjusting an Adjustable

Blade

Art Unit : 3733

Examiner : Reimers. Annette R.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 20, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.